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## Be a Part of Silicon Valley Reads

By Mary Chartrain

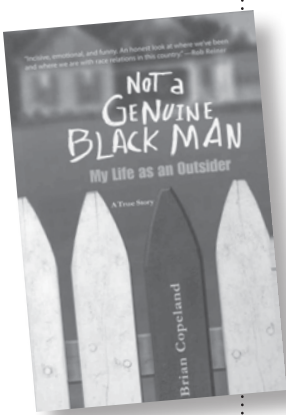
Would you like to read a book and discuss it with other readers and also hear the author speak? Silicon Valley Reads, an annual program that promotes reading and literacy is an opportunity to do so. This program features a book that will appeal to many different readers, including both adults and teens. Now in its seventh year, Silicon Valley Reads is sponsored by the Santa Clara County Library, Santa Clara County Office of Education and the San Jose Public Library Foundation.

This year, Silicon Valley Reads has chosen Brian Copeland's **Not a Genuine Black Man: My Life as an Outsider**, which is the author's memoir of growing up during the 1970s in one of the first African-American families to move to the Bay Area city of San Leandro.

Brian Copeland is a comedian, writer, television and talk radio host, and commentator. **Not a Genuine Black Man** is based on his first solo show of the same name which premiered in 2004 in San Francisco, running there for two years.

The Sunnyvale Public Library will be hosting two events for Silicon Valley Reads. The Library's book discussion group will discuss **Not a Genuine Black Man** on Thursday, February 19 at 7 p.m. in the Library Program Room. On Wednesday, March 18 at 7 p.m. author Brian Copeland will speak in the Library Program Room.

During the month of February there will be many programs throughout Santa Clara County. For additional information, please visit the Silicon Valley Reads Web site at [www.siliconvalleyreads.org](http://www.siliconvalleyreads.org).



By Susan Denniston, Interim Director

At their December 9, 2008 meeting, City Council discussed the Branch Library Study Issue which explored the possibility of establishing a branch library in Sunnyvale. The Study Issue report presented both the opportunities and challenges of operating a branch library. It also looked at what services and collections could be offered within a 10,000, 15,000 and 20,000 square-foot branch library as well as the issues to consider when finding a suitable location for a branch library. The study found the Lakewood Neighborhood



## Library of the Future

Planning Area in north Sunnyvale was the best location in the City to establish a branch library due to the anticipated population growth and limited access to library services in that area. The study can be accessed by locating the December 9, 2008

Council meeting agenda at [CouncilMeetings.inSunnyvale.com](http://CouncilMeetings.inSunnyvale.com).

After discussion and consideration, Council decided to expand library services throughout the community by further developing online services and exploring cooperative ventures with other City and community organizations, with no

additional costs outside the operating budget, and to continue to explore all outreach service options as well as improvements to the main library under the oversight of the City Manager. Some of the outreach service options explored in the study included bookmobile services, online services, transporting people to the Library, mail delivery of Library materials, kiosks/vending machines for library materials, and cooperative ventures. Do you have ideas you would like to share about how online services should be expanded or what organizations should be partnered with to deliver library services outside the walls of the library? We'd love to hear from you. Just send an e-mail to [library@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:library@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).

## What's Your Story?

By Christine Mendoza

Do you have a story about your experiences in Sunnyvale that you would like to share? The Library has received a grant to enable us to create a collection of stories that define our community and then make them available online so they can be viewed by everyone. State of the art equipment will be used to record the stories and to combine them with photographs, videos and music. This grant, called *California of the Past*, is funded by a federal Library Services and Technology Act grant through the California State Library.

The Library hopes to interview not only Sunnyvale old-timers, but new arrivals as well, with the goal of preserving the unique experiences of Sunnyvale residents, both young and old. The stories should be short, from 2-4 minutes long, focusing on people, places, events and family heritage that make up the rich and diverse Sunnyvale community. For example, you might want to tell about something that happened when you first arrived in Sunnyvale, or what it was like working for Lockheed or in the high-tech industry. Perhaps you taught in Sunnyvale schools for many years or worked in the orchards. To see examples

of stories recorded in previous years, go to [SunnyvaleVoices.inSunnyvale.com](http://SunnyvaleVoices.inSunnyvale.com).

To make an appointment to tell your story, call the Information/Reference

Desk at 730-7300. We will arrange a time to interview you and help you construct your story. Add your voice to Sunnyvale's recorded history!

## We've Only Just Begun: Learning and Leisure

By Marjory Cameron

### A New Program Series at the Library

The Library was recently awarded a federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant through the California State Library to provide programs about lifelong learning and leisure opportunities. The grant project, called *We've Only Just Begun: Learning and Leisure*, will include an array of programs presented by experts in broad subject series such as: Health and Wellness, Personal Finance, and Science and Technology.

The following programs already are scheduled and people of all ages are invited:

- **An Evening with P.G. Wodehouse** on Thursday, January 8 at 7 p.m. will be presented by the Blandings Castle chapter of the Wodehouse Society.
- **Manage Your Money – Manage Your Life: How to Create a Cash Flow System That Works** on Tuesday, January 13 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. will be the first presentation in the Personal Finance series.
- **Digital Television Transition** on Wednesday, January 14 at 3 p.m.
- A series on Health and Wellness features these programs:
  - ▲ **Stress, Breath and You** on Thursday, January 15 at 7 p.m.

See *Learning and Leisure*, page 2



For complete information on the Sunnyvale Public Library, please call (408) 730-7300 or visit

[www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org)



# Attention, Adults! Teens In Library!

By Jo Ann Rees

On weekends and after school you may notice that the Library seems to have a lot of teens. We offer an excellent collection of books, magazines, audiobooks, and a big selection of graphic novels and manga suitable for teens. Yes, we are actually attracting more teens than ever before. Hundreds of them have been seen signing up for our yearly Summer Reading program, earning prize books and writing book reviews.

We have many programs that appeal to teens: a knitting and crocheting program called Yarn Days; a classic film discussion group; an anime/manga discussion group, and our newest program, Bring-A-Game. We supply a (fairly soundproof) room full of tables, chairs and refreshments so the teens can bring their friends, their board games, their miniatures, and their electronic games, and have a good time without being told they're too loud.

The Teen Librarian, Jo Ann Rees, periodically visits the local high and middle schools, having book and film discussions with students and getting to know the teens and their teachers. So the next time you see a teen in the Library, smile! They're here for the same things you are: education and recreation. And a little bit of fun.

(See the calendar for teen programs, or pick up flyers in the Library's Teen Section)

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# Learning and Leisure

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- ▲ **Healthy Nutrition** on Thursday, January 22 at 7 p.m.
- ▲ **What is Meditation?** on Thursday January 29 at 7 p.m.
- **Hysterical Historical Patents to Modern Day Madness** on Wednesday, January 21 at 7 p.m. is the first in a series of Science and Technology programs.
- On Wednesday, January 28 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., the Library will host a **Brain Games Night**, where we'll learn how to play video, puzzle and logic games that can help keep mind and memory sharp!
- In **Memoir Writing** on Saturday, February 28, from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m., participants learn how to write memories that future generations will love to read. There will be a special focus on telling about experiences of Sunnyvale.

For more exciting programs in the coming months check [www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org)

Another feature of the grant is starting a Volunteer Speakers' Bureau. The Library will work with the City's Volunteer Resources

Coordinator to locate volunteers who will share specific knowledge and experience with others in the community. Volunteer speakers will be scheduled for public programs after a selection process.

An Advisory Committee is forming, which will include representatives from organizations that are involved in the Library project and interested members of the public. The Advisory Committee will meet periodically to plan, promote, assess and improve the *We've Only Just Begun* project.

If you would like to participate on the Advisory Committee, volunteer for the Speakers' Bureau, and/or know someone who has special expertise to share with the community, please contact the Information/Reference Desk at (408) 730-7300.

The *We've Only Just Begun* program series is supported in whole or in part by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) through the California State Library (CSL).

# Job Searching Resources

By Joan Jackson

If you read the newspaper, watch TV news, or listen to the news on the Internet or the radio, you're very much aware that our country is going through an economic crisis that we've not seen in a long time. Many folks have lost their jobs, or fear the status of their employment might be on shaky ground. While this occurrence of job instability looms, there is at least one place that people can go in order to prepare for a difficult situation. Not only that, they can access this information **for free!!** In these tough economic times – and at any time – your public library's resources are worth their weight in gold.

The Library has print and online resources that will help you search for jobs, learn how to build or refresh your resume, show you where to find classes to brush up on your employment skills, research a company or industry for a career change, and so much more!

A selective list of these resources is included below:

## Books

Betrus, Michael. **Perfect Phrases for Cover Letters** (2006) 650.142 B

Bolles, Mark Emery. **Job-Hunting Online: a Guide to Job Listings, Message Boards, Research Sites, the UnderWeb, Counseling, Networking, Self-Assessment Tools, Niche Sites** (2008) 650.1402 B

Epstein, Lita. **Working After Retirement for Dummies** (2007) 650.1408 E

Farr, J. Michael. **150 Best Jobs for Your Skills** (2008) 331.702 F

Farr, J. Michael. **Next-Day Job Interview: Prepare Tonight and get the Job Tomorrow** (2009) 650.144 F

Jacobson, Deborah. **150 Best Jobs through Military Training** (2008) 331.702 O

Kennedy, Joyce Lain. **Resumes for Dummies** (2007) 650.14 K

Llewellyn, A. Bronwyn. **Green Jobs: A Guide to Eco-friendly Employment** (2008) 650.14 L

Nemko, Marty. **Cool Careers for Dummies** (2007) 331.702 N

Noble, David F. **Gallery of Best Resumes: A Collection of Quality Resumes by Professional Resume Writers** (2007) 650.142 N

Z, Laurence. **150 Best Low-Stress Jobs** (2008) 331.702 O

## Magazines

*Black Enterprise*  
*Business India*  
*Business Week*  
*California Real Estate*  
*Entrepreneur*  
*Inc.*  
*Industry Week*  
*Money*  
*Sales and Marketing Management*  
*San Jose Business Journal*

## Library Databases

**Business and Company Resource Center:** Find detailed company and industry news and information.

**College Source Online:** Search for institutions with various courses of study and view online college catalogs.

**Full-text Newspapers:** Search hundreds of U.S. newspapers.

**Learning Express Library:** Practice for job-related & academic exams. Also choose from a large collection of e-Books.

The loss of a job is devastating, but the Library staff is ready to help you. Please call or stop in if you need help finding library materials. Take advantage of our many resources and move forward to a brighter future.



**Sunnyvale Public Library**  
665 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

## Library Hours

Monday – Thursday	10 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Friday & Saturday	10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sunday	Noon – 8 p.m.

Book and media drops are located outside the Library for after-hours returns.

## Telephone Numbers

	Area Code
Borrowers' Records	(408) 730-2748
Children's & Teen Services	(408) 730-7292
Deaf Access: TDD	(408) 730-7501
Dial-A-Story (English)	(408) 730-7333
Dial-A-Story (Spanish)	(408) 737-4907
Information & Reference	(408) 730-7300
Library Cards	(408) 730-2748
Library Administration	(408) 730-7316
Overdue Materials	(408) 730-7309
Renewals (Automated)	(408) 730-7310
Special Outreach Services	(408) 730-7306

## Library Web Site

[www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org)

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Sunnyvale will make reasonable efforts to accommodate persons with disabilities. If you require special accommodation, please contact the library.

# A Library Card for Every Third Grader

By Sue Kaplan

We want every child in Sunnyvale to have easy access to a world of knowledge! Toward this end, the children's librarians are working with the Sunnyvale School District to promote library cards for each third grader. As part of this program, we will be telling teachers and students about all of the services and programs the Children's division can offer for both school work as well as leisure time. There will be incentives and prizes for everyone! So, get a library card for your third grader – and while you are at it, get one for each member of the family!

# January

## SUNNYVALE LIBRARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Read-Along Shakespeare</b> 7 p.m. <b>Board of Library Trustees Meeting</b> 7 p.m.	<b>6</b> <b>Baby Lapsit</b> 11 a.m. <b>Stories for 1's</b> 11 a.m. <b>Blogs &amp; Blogging</b> 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. <b>Film Discussion Group</b> 7 p.m.	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>Kid Kicks</b> 3 p.m. <b>Friends of the Library Meeting</b> 6:30 p.m. <b>An Evening with P.G. Wodehouse*</b> 7 p.m.	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> <b>Bring-a-Game</b> 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>Yarn Day</b> 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. <b>Night Owl Story Time</b> 7 p.m.	<b>13</b> <b>Baby Lapsit</b> 11 a.m. <b>Stories for 1's</b> 11 a.m. <b>Extreme Googling</b> 3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. <b>Manage Your Money, Manage Your Life*</b> 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	<b>14</b> <b>Digital Television Transition Presentation*</b> 3 p.m. <b>Bring-a-Game</b> 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	<b>15</b> <b>Preschool Story Time</b> 11 a.m. <b>Stress, Breath and You*</b> 7 p.m. <b>Monthly Book Group</b> 7 p.m.	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> <b>Martin Luther King Day</b> Library Closed	<b>20</b> <b>Baby Lapsit</b> 11 a.m. <b>Stories for 1's</b> 11 a.m.	<b>21</b> <b>Manga/Anime Discussion Group</b> 4 p.m. – 5 p.m. <b>Hysterical Historical Patents*</b> 7 p.m. – 8 p.m.	<b>22</b> <b>Preschool Story Time</b> 11 a.m. <b>Healthy Nutrition*</b> 7 p.m.	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Yarn Day</b> 3 p.m. – 5 p.m. <b>Night Owl Story Time</b> 7 p.m.	<b>27</b> <b>Baby Lapsit</b> 11 a.m. <b>Stories for 1's</b> 11 a.m.	<b>28</b> <b>Tips for Using the USPTO Web Site with an Emphasis on Patents</b> 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. <b>Brain Games Night*</b> 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	<b>29</b> <b>Preschool Story Time</b> 11 a.m. <b>What is Meditation?*</b> 7 p.m.	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>

## Program Descriptions

### Board of Library Trustees

Monday, January 5, 7 p.m.  
The meeting of the Board of Library Trustees will be held in Council Chambers at 456 W. Olive Ave. and is open to the public.

### Kids' Programs

**Baby Lapsit**  
Tuesday, January 6, 13, 20, 27, 11 a.m.  
Ages up to 12 months.

**Family Story Time**  
Saturday, January 3, 11 a.m.  
All ages.

**Kid Kicks**  
Thursday, January 8, 3 p.m.  
Elementary school kids are invited to 'kick back' with some snacks and 'kick it' with friends during crafts. Kids are sure to get 'their kicks.' Ages 5 and older.

**Night Owl Story Time**  
Monday, January 12, 26, 7 p.m.  
All ages.

**Preschool Story Time**  
Thursday, January 15, 22, 29, 11 a.m.  
(Continues on February 5, 12, 19)

A program for 3, 4 and 5-year olds who can participate in a group activity without a parent or caregiver. This session is focused on Reading Readiness. **Important:** Due to overwhelming demand and to ensure fairness, registration will be done by a lottery system. Register your child in person at the Library between Saturday, January 3 and Sunday, January 11 for the Reading Readiness session. Parents will be notified of the lottery results on Monday, January 12.

**Stories for 1's**  
Tuesday, January 6, 13, 20, 27, 11 a.m.  
Ages 12 – 24 months.

### Teen Programs

**Bring-a-Game**  
Saturday, January 10, 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Wednesday, January 14, 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Bring your favorite games and some friends and play all afternoon or evening. Any games are welcome – cards, board, miniature role-playing, electronic, etc. The Library will provide tables, a room where you can make noise and refreshments. Anyone in grades 6 through 12 is welcome.

**Film Discussion Group**  
Tuesday, January 6, 7 p.m.  
Teens and interested adults are welcome to join us for refreshments and to discuss this month's film, **The Best Years of Our Lives**.

**Manga/Anime Discussion Group**  
Wednesday, January 21, 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Teens and interested adults are invited to come and talk about your favorite manga and anime with other fans. Refreshments will be provided.

**Yarn Days**  
Monday, January 12, 26, 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Learn to knit or crochet! Teens and interested adults are welcome to bring their yarn projects to the Library Program Room and have fun while working on them. If you want to learn how, bring some yarn. We'll supply the knitting needles or crochet hooks and teach you how.

### Adult Classes

**Blogs & Blogging**  
Tuesday, January 6, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
Come hear practical ideas for launching your Web presence. Learn about free tools to create a blog in minutes and how new technologies can help you reach the world with your message.

**Extreme Googling**  
Tuesday, January 13, 3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Learn how to get the most out of Google and improve searching efficiency.

**Tips for Using the USPTO Web Site with an Emphasis on Patents**  
Wed., January 28, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
With an emphasis on patent research, this orientation to *www.uspto.gov* will help you locate forms, fee, file histories, status information, scam prevention and complaints, links to related sites and a brief overview of patent searching.

### Literature Programs

**Monthly Book Group**  
Thursday January 15, 7 p.m.  
Enjoy the fellowship of readers as you share impressions of books, discovering new viewpoints and deepening your reading experiences. This month, **Behind the Scenes at the Museum** by Kate Atkinson will be discussed. High-spirited Ruby takes us on a witty and candid tour of her eccentric family. Her tale goes back for several decades, following her family tree through the tragedies of two world wars and trials of everyday life.

**Read-Along Shakespeare**  
Monday January 5, 7 p.m.  
Gather with other fans of Shakespeare to read his works and gain new appreciation of these timeless masterpieces. This month, **Macbeth** will be read.

### Adult Special Programs

**Brain Games Night: Sudoku and Other Games\***  
Wed., January 28, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Learn how to play popular number and logic games to keep your mind sharp, and meet other puzzlers and game enthusiasts. Plus, help complete the world's largest crossword puzzle, and play brain games on the Library's new Nintendo Wii! Please sign up at the Information/Reference Desk or by calling (408) 730-7300 (option 5).

**Digital Television Transition Presentation\***  
Wednesday, January 14, 3 p.m.  
On February 17, 2009, all full-power TV stations will broadcast only in digital format. Some, but not all, consumers need to take action to continue watching their favorite programs. An FCC representative will explain what this change means and how to know if you are prepared for the digital transition.

**An Evening with P.G. Wodehouse\***  
Thursday, January 8, 7 p.m.  
Celebrate the life and work of legendary author P.G. Wodehouse with the Blandings Castle chapter of the Wodehouse Society. Come laugh and learn about this beloved writer, who poked fun at the British aristocracy and created the character of Jeeves, the quintessential gentleman's valet.

**Hysterical Historical Patents to Modern Day Madness\***  
Wednesday, January 21, 7 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
Prepare to see absurdity stretched to the nth degree in this presentation by Janet Berkeley, who will show you some of the nuttiest patents ever to be granted by the US Patent and Trademark Office. You'll see weird, wacky and down-right silly devices for people and pets, including an interest paying piggy bank, a 25 hour clock, apparatus for simulating a high five and what every household needs – a walking barrel for bullfighting.

**Manage Your Money, Manage Your Life: How to Create a Cash Flow System That Works\***  
Tuesday, January 13, 6:30 p.m – 8:30 p.m.  
Do you need a jumpstart for creating or tweaking your personal, household budget? Are you overwhelmed, frustrated or confused about even

where to start? Let author and budget consultant Judy Lawrence share her 20 plus years of sitting at the kitchen table with hundreds of individuals and couples of all ages and income levels. She will walk you through the three basic cornerstones of setting up a clear and complete budget that works - using the worksheets from her workbook: **The Budget Kit**. You will learn how to know exactly where your money is going, how to anticipate where you want it to go and how to make that happen.

### The Art of Living Health and Wellness Series

Presented by the Art of Living, a non-profit, non-governmental organization (NGO) that works in special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations, participating in a variety of committees.

**Stress, Breath and You\***  
Thursday, January 15, 7 p.m.  
An interactive talk focusing on breathing techniques that release stress and enhance quality of life.

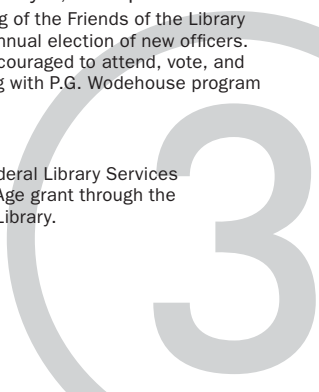
**Healthy Nutrition\***  
Thursday, January 22, 7 p.m.  
A special talk focusing on the different body types and how food affects your state of mind. Learn how you can tailor your diet to suit your specific body type.

**What is Meditation?\***  
Thursday, January 29, 7 p.m.  
Gain an understanding of meditation and its benefits.

### Friends of the Library

**Friends of the Library Meeting**  
Thursday, January 8, 6:30 p.m.  
A special meeting of the Friends of the Library to conduct the annual election of new officers. Members are encouraged to attend, vote, and enjoy the Evening with P.G. Wodehouse program at 7 p.m.

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Monday, February 9, 23  
3 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Learn to knit or crochet! Teens and interested adults are welcome to bring their yarn projects to the Library Program Room and have fun while working on them. If you want to learn how, bring some yarn. We'll supply the knitting needles or crochet hooks and teach you how.

Adult Classes

**Basic Small Business Resources**  
Wednesday, February 18  
2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
This class will introduce you to Internet resources that will help you to start, maintain, and grow your small business. Topics covered include: writing a business plan, finding company performance data, performing competitive analysis, finding funding, finding a mentor, and protecting and researching intellectual property of a business.

**Blogs & Blogging**  
Tuesday, February 24  
3 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
Come hear practical ideas for launching your Web presence. Learn about free tools to create a blog in minutes and how new technologies can help you reach the world with your message.

**Book Networking**  
Wednesday, February 11  
2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
Learn how you can use LibraryThing, Shelfari, Gurulib or other similar sites to promote the books you like, pan the books you didn't like, get reviews from real people, connect with others who share your taste in books, communicate with your book group online and catalog your books. The class includes brief overviews of some of the more popular sites and what they can do for you.

**Focus on Trademarks**  
Tuesday, February 10  
2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
Explore trademark information available on the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Web site and get a brief look at trademark and business name searching. Find out how to search for the owner of a particular trademark. Learn to find forms, fees, assignment information, guides and manuals, file histories and status information.

Literature Programs

**Monthly Book Group**  
Thursday, February 19  
7 p.m.  
Enjoy the fellowship of readers as you share impressions of books, discovering new viewpoints and deepening your reading experiences. This month, **Not a Genuine Black Man: My Life as an Outsider** by Brian Copeland will be discussed. This book is the author’s memoir of growing up during the 1970s in one of the first African-American families to move to San Leandro. **Not a Genuine Black Man** is the 2009 Silicon Valley Reads selection. Brian Copeland will speak at the Library on Wednesday, March 18, at 7 p.m.

**Read-Along Shakespeare**  
Monday, February 2  
7 p.m.  
Gather with other fans of Shakespeare to read his works and gain new appreciation of these timeless masterpieces. This month, the first half of **Henry V** will be read.

Adult Special Programs

**Estate Planning and Write Your Own Will\***  
This program will be repeated for your convenience:  
Tuesday, February 17, 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
Tuesday, February 24, 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Estate planning attorney Eric Norris will present an informative and entertaining seminar on estate planning. You'll discover the pitfalls of probate and how to avoid them. You'll learn about the advantages of living trusts, especially for the baby boomer generation. You'll hear about the importance of an advance health care directive, and why the local bank may not honor your durable power of attorney. Finally, Eric will help you execute a valid simple California will on the spot.

**Financial Tools for Retirement\***  
Tuesday, February 10  
6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
State Farm Insurance representative Suzette Elliott will focus on three essential financial planning issues for retirement: planning for your retirement, paying down your credit cards, and saving for retirement. Come learn vital information that you can use to enhance your retirement years.

**Memoir Writing\***  
Saturday, February 28  
2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
Learn how to write your memories so that future generations will love to read about your life. We'll do writing exercises together and share our ideas in a supportive atmosphere. Afterwards, attendees may decide to record their stories in the Library’s Digital Storytelling Station.

Friends of the Library

**Friends of the Library Book Sale**  
Saturday, February 7, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Members-only sale starts at 9 a.m.;  
Bargain hours (\$4/bag)  
2:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
Get great deals on thousands of books, DVDs and music CDs at the Friends Book Sale. The sale will be held at Raynor Center, 1500 Partridge Avenue. View/download the location map at [FriendsOfTheLibrary.inSunnyvale.com](#).

**Friends of the Library Meeting**  
Thursday, February 12  
7 p.m.  
Regular meeting of the Friends of the Library. All are welcome.

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